Nation's Capital Extraordinary Policing Costs Program

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Overview:
-Established in 2015, the Nation's Capital Extraordinary Policing Costs Program (NCEPCP) was renewed and expanded for an additional five years in 2020.
-The program enables the City of Ottawa to seek financial assistance through reimbursement from the Government of Canada, through a contribution agreement, for eligible extraordinary, reasonable and justifiable policing costs incurred in relation to policing duties specific to the Nation's Capital.
-The funding helps ensure that the City has the resources to support the Ottawa Police Service (OPS) to provide for safe and secure extraordinary events in an evolving and complex policing environment.
-The objectives of the program fall within the Department's policy objectives to promote the safety and security of Canadian communities and institutions by recognizing the unique policing environment created by the presence of federal landmarks, institutions, and events of national significance in the Nation's Capital.
-Program allocation is $14.25 million over five years (2020-21 to 2024-25):
-$2.25 million in year one (only $1.7 million was used in 2020-21 due to reduced program demand) and $3 million each year thereafter until 2024-25.
-The Ottawa Police Service submits cash flow statements and activity reports twice a year for reimbursement.
-Work on this file involves: drafting and updating the contribution agreement with recipients upon renewal, reviewing terms and conditions, establishing eligible and ineligible expenses, consulting with stakeholders for renewal. Reviewing cash flow and activity reports, processing payments, recommending changes to program design and delivery, TB Submissions, liaising with recipient, record keeping, responding to evaluations and or audits.

It should be noted that Ottawa Police Services officials have connected with us in the last few hours, pointing out at est. extra cost incurred by OPS to deal with the events (est. between $600K & $800K per day) and the $3M annual cap for this current FY, which may not be sufficient to cover said additional costs. Expecting to see a formal request for funding beyond the $3M NCEPCP cap shortly. We are assessing this request and the options to be able to expand the program. We will keep you informed of next steps.

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